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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

1. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

2. Claim 6, 10, 16, 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Regarding claim 6 and 10, the claimed limitation, "the slot causes surface currents to flow on the metallized housing", renders the claim indefinite. How does the slot cause surface currents to flow on the metallized housing with out any electrical connection? Appropriated correction required.

Regarding claims 6, 10, 16, 19, the claimed limitation, "the current flow in the metallized housing take multiple electrical paths", renders the claims indefinite. How does the current flow in the metallized housing take multiple electrical paths if the slot is of the same length or the same slot? Appropriated correction required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

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(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1-3, 6, 8-10, 13-17, 19, and 21-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Holshouser (6,282,433).

As per claims 1, 6, 9-10, 16-17, 19, and 21, Holshouser disclosed a cellular telephone (fig. 2), comprising having an antenna (fig. 2) , a metallized housing coupled to the antenna and having a movable section that can be placed in an open or closed position, and a slot located on the movable section wherein the slot causing any surface currents found on the metallized housing during operation of the antenna to take multiple electrical paths to increase the bandwidth of the antenna (col. 3/ln. 63-col. 5/ln. 31).

As per claims 2-3 and 13-14, Holshouser disclosed the metallized housing includes a flip section that can move between an open position and a closed position and the slot is located on the flip section (fig. 2).

As per claim 8, Holshouser disclosed the antenna is electrically coupled to the metallized housing which is grounded (col. 3/ln. 63-col. 5/ln. 31).

As per claim 15, Holshouser disclosed a portion of the antenna is located external to the metallized housing (fig. 3).

As per claim 22, Holshouser disclosed the slot causes electrical currents that are generated when the antenna is transmitting electrical signals to follow different paths having different lengths (col. 3/ln. 63-col. 5/ln. 31).

As per claim 23, Holshouser disclosed the different lengths the electrical currents have to take results in broader bandwidth for the antenna (col. 3/ln. 63-col. 5/ln. 31).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

6. Claims 4-5, 7, 11-12, 18, and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Holshouser (6,282,433).

As per claims 4-5, 11-12, 18, and 20, Holshouser does not specifically suggest such "L" shaped slot. However, such is notoriously well known in the art that the examiner takes Official Notice of such. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to provide such shaped slot to the portable telephone of Holshouser in order to effectively enhance the bandwidth performance for a desired configuration of the portable telephone.

As per claim 7 in claim 6, Holshouser does not specifically disclosed the utilization of an antenna is of helical and whip combination. However, such is notoriously well known in the art that the examiner takes Official Notice of such. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to provide such combination antenna to the portable telephone of Holshouser in order to provide a portable telephone that achieve multi-band/wide band bandwidth with less interference efficiently.

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Pablo Tran whose telephone number is (571)272-7898. The examiner normal hours are 9:30 -5:00 (Monday-Friday). If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward Urban, can be reached at (571)272-7899. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.
8. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-directauspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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